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EPIDEMIC INFLUENZA.

PREVALENCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

Reports from State health officers for the week ended February 1, 1919, indicate that the number of cases of influenza was decreasing in most parts of the United States. (See p. 246.)

In California and Louisiana, where extensive recrudescences of the disease occurred in January, there was a notable decrease in the number of cases reported.

As compared with the preceding week, reductions in the number of cases were reported from Alabama, Arkansas, California, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Oregon, Vermont, and Virginia.

Slight increases were reported from Connecticut, Florida, Indiana, and North Carolina.

Reports from the zones around Army camps also show in general a reduction in the number of cases reported. (See p. 249.)

DEATHS FROM INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA IN CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES, 1918-19.

The tables on pages 226 to 229 show the number of deaths registered as due to influenza and pneumonia (all forms) and annual death rates, by weeks, in certain large cities of the United States from September 8, 1918, to January 25, 1919.

The data were obtained from the "Weekly Health Index," issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

The populations used in computing the death rates were estimated by the Bureau of the Census as of July 1, 1918. In calculating rates one week was considered as one fifty-second part of a year.

It should be borne in mind that reports were not received for some weeks, and for this reason the totals given are not complete.

Annual death rates per 1,000 population from influenza and pneumonia (all forms) combined, in certain cities of the United States, from Sept. 8, 1918, to Jan. 25, 1919, inclusive, by weeks.

[Based on the number of registered deaths as given in the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census.]

City.	Population July 1, 1918, estimated.	Week ended—																	Annual rate per 1,000 for the period reported for each city.			
		September—			October—			November—			December—			January—								
		14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4		11	18	25
Albany, N. Y.	112,565								71.6	24.0	9.2	1.8	6.5	3.2	5.1	5.1	6.0	5.5	5.5	3.7	5.1	19.4
Atlanta, Ga.	201,732								26.0									4.2	6.5	7.2	13.0	23.6
Baltimore, Md.	599,653				10.1	48.8	117.9	93.0	34.4	12.7	4.4		3.5	5.0	5.9	6.4	4.9	4.2	11.6	13.7	10.8	14.8
Birmingham, Ala.	197,670	0.5	0.5	1.3	4.2	16.0	28.9	35.0	22.4	12.1	12.1	11.6	18.9	23.7		33.9	13.9	9.5	11.6	13.7	10.8	14.8
Boston, Mass.	785,245	3.0	17.5	51.3	80.4	68.0	39.0	15.0	9.1	5.0	3.1	3.6	3.6	4.2	5.5	8.7	13.3	16.2	15.0	10.5	10.1	19.1
Buffalo, N. Y.	473,229				5.3	19.8	58.3	79.7	50.0	18.5	8.8	3.7	4.0	3.3	7.0	6.8	7.5	5.3		9.9	13.5	18.8
Cambridge, Mass.	111,432				65.3	53.7	29.4	9.8	8.9	2.3	4.2	4.2	3.3	2.8	6.5	7.9	12.1	18.2	10.3	9.3	7.5	16.9
Chicago, Ill.	2,996,681	3	5	1.8	8.3	21.0	42.1	47.4	29.4	14.8	7.8	5.0	4.3	5.2	8.4	9.9	8.8	6.4	5.4	6.6	14.7	12.4
Cincinnati, Ohio.	418,022				2.2	8.3	23.9	35.0	30.8	20.3	12.1	13.1	11.7	18.5	25.9	29.3	10.3	6.3	2.2	2.2	3.2	14.5
Cleveland, Ohio.	810,306				1.2	2.6	10.1	29.1	43.8	33.6	22.5	15.4	12.6	12.3	14.5	15.5	11.9	8.5	6.0	5.9	5.9	14.8
Columbus, Ohio.	225,296					6.5	16.8	27.0	21.7	11.5	8.3	9.9	14.8	22.6	19.2	13.6	4.8	3.5	3.2	2.3	4.6	11.9
Dayton, Ohio.	130,635					12.3	53.3	54.5	46.8	26.7	8.4		5.2	6.4	13.1	16.3	8.4	4.8	4.8	5.6	3.6	17.9
Fall River, Mass.	128,392		3.6	8.1	39.3	81.4	77.8	39.3	16.2	9.7	5.7	4.0	2.8	6.9	2.0	5.7	7.3	4.0	7.3	6.5	5.7	17.5
Grand Rapids, Mich.	135,450					4.2	8.4	6.9	5.0	11.1	8.4	6.9	11.3	19.6	14.6	8.8	6.9	3.1	3.1	3.1	8.5	11.6
Indianapolis, Ind.	289,577					8.3	23.0	29.6	15.1	10.4	8.6	11.1	18.0	12.9	11.8	7.7	8.6	6.1	7.2	4.5		
Jersey City, N. J.	318,770				10.8	37.7		69.3														
Kansas City, Mo.	313,785				6.1	15.9	27.8	32.0	32.6	22.9	13.3	10.6	16.1	29.5	41.1	28.3	13.7	8.1	8.3	11.3	7.5	19.1
Los Angeles, Cal.	568,495					6.3	12.0	26.8	34.9	28.3	27.4	17.9	15.3	11.4	12.3	12.9	10.7	9.1	13.8	16.2	17.0	17.0
Louisville, Ky.	242,707					19.7	33.6	38.8	14.8	12.4	8.4	7.5	13.3	11.8	19.5	11.8	7.9	4.7	4.3	4.5	6.4	14.0
Lowell, Mass.	109,081				15.2	44.3	67.2	55.3	40.0	3.8	5.2	3.8	5.2	4.8	4.8	3.8		6.2		9.5	12.4	18.2
Memphis, Tenn.	154,759				26.9	61.1	55.8	23.9				5.7	6.0					6.7				15.8
Milwaukee, Wis.	453,481				7.9	13.0	20.1	14.3	14.3	10.9		3.6	10.1			20.9	19.0	12.0	7.4			12.4
Minneapolis, Minn.	383,442				6.5	13.4	20.3	16.3	16.3	12.9	12.6	6.9	6.1	9.4		9.6	13.0	9.2	5.0	6.1	3.2	10.0
Nashville, Tenn.	119,215					56.3	84.2	56.4	23.5	23.1	6.5	7.0	10.0	11.3	12.2	12.6	9.6	8.7	7.4	9.2	9.2	21.6
Newark, N. J.	428,684		7	1.0	6.4	22.9	48.0	52.3	45.6	21.5	13.5	8.5	6.8	6.9	9.6	9.0	8.5	8.7	8.0	6.9		15.8
New Haven, Conn.	154,865				12.1	25.8	51.0	61.4	56.4	27.5	16.1	6.7	8.1	10.7	10.1	17.5	12.1	13.4	12.8	9.1	8.7	20.3
New Orleans, La.	382,273				3.9	19.6	84.9	92.8	45.3	21.5	10.3	5.0	5.8	5.7	9.2	9.4	7.6	12.8	19.2	27.5	27.3	24.0
New York, N. Y.	5,216,879	1.1	1.9		7.3	21.4	42.1	52.1	43.9	22.7	10.5	6.5	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.3	6.8	7.5	8.7	9.9	11.9	14.4
Oakland, Cal.	214,266					10.2	32.5	38.1	32.5	27.5	17.0	9.2	2.9	3.9	4.6	8.0	9.7	16.0	22.3	26.9		17.6
Omaha, Nebr.	180,264					19.6	46.1	42.4	27.1		13.8	11.0	9.8	26.5	44.7	29.1	16.4	7.2	7.2	4.9		21.9

